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# Office Action Summary

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Mamon Obeid

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## Period for Reply

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- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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## Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 12 April 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

## Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-5 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-5 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

## Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

## Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

## Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)          | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)           |
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## DETAILED ACTION

### *Status of Claims*

1. This is in reply to a divisional application filed on 12 April 2004 and subsequent claim amendments filed on 12 April 2004.
2. Claims 1- 5 are currently pending and have been examined.

### *Priority*

3. Applicant's claim for the benefit of a parent US Application No. 09/836894, filed on 17 April 2001 is acknowledged.

### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112*

4. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:  
  
The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter, which the applicant regards as his invention.
5. Claims 1-5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.
6. The term "*predefined definitions*" in claims 1 and 5 is a relative term, which renders the claims indefinite. The term "*predefined definitions*" is not defined by the claim, the specification does not lexicographically define the term, and one of

ordinary skill in the art would not be reasonably apprised of the scope of the invention. If Applicants believes that the term "*predefined definitions*" is old and well know in the art, Applicants should expressly state on the record that the claim term is old and well known in the art and provide appropriate evidence in support thereof (e.g. a U.S. Patent).

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

7. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:  
  
(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
8. Claims 1- 5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Church et al., U.S Patent No. 5,794,234.
9. ***Examiner's Note:*** The Examiner has pointed out particular references contained in the prior art of record within the body of this action for the convenience of the Applicant. Although the specified citations are representative of the teachings in the art and are applied to the specific limitations within the individual claim, other passages and figures may apply. Applicant, in preparing the response, should consider fully the entire reference as potentially teaching all or part of the claimed

invention, as well as the context of the passage as taught by the prior art or disclosed by the Examiner.

**10. As per claim 1 and 5:** Church discloses the following:

- *processing transaction data from an application suite at the originating computer (see at least column 3, lines 55-60);*
- *generating standardized data transactions based on predefined definitions (see at least column 3, lines 60-65);*
- *sending the standardized transaction data from the originating computer to the destination computer (see at least column 4, lines 3-17) ;*
- *receiving the standardized transaction data by the destination computer (see at least column 4, lines 18-27);*
- *generating transaction data based on the attributes of the destination computer and storing the transaction data at the destination computer (see at least column 2, lines 32-45);*
- *processing the transaction data by a target application suite at the destination computer (see at least column 5, lines 6-15);*

**11. As per claim 2:** Church discloses *wherein the generating transaction data step comprises converting the transaction data from its original format to a standardized format (see at least column 8, lines 8-16).*

12. **As per claim 3:** Church discloses *wherein the generating transaction data step converts the data from the standardized format to a format readable by the target application suite* (see at least column 2, lines 32-45).
13. **As per claim 4:** Church discloses *the generating standardized data transactions comprising creating unique encryption keys for encoding and decoding transaction data* (see at least column 4, lines 46-61).

### **Conclusion**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mamon Obeid whose telephone number is (571) 270-1813. The examiner can normally be reached on 5-4-9.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew J. Fischer can be reached on (571) 272-6779. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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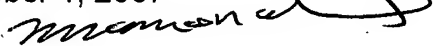
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